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# FREE RADIO WAVES

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European Music Radio was heard on 20th. February using 6265 khz.A further test is planned for March 20th, and regular broadcasts will be made once a month, as from April. The programme schedule is as follows:

IO.30-II.00 Robert Bond's Film Themes.

II.00-II.30 Barry Stephens' Flashback Show and Free Radio news.

II.30-I2.00 Roger Tate's Mailbox Show.

I2.00-I2.20 Landbased Free Radio Show-featuring a programme from various pirate stations.

On their February 20th. broadcast, a suspicious car and two men were seen near the location. The men were hiding in some bushes, turning a radio around. A blue Cortina was seen nearby.

Fifty reception reports have been received for the broadcast. These will be verified with a QSL Card if sent to:7 Godric Road, Witham, Essex.

Radio Verona has been logged recently on 6225 khz, 6265 khz and 6300 khz. Operations started in 1967 as Radio Red Baron. During these medium-wave transmissions, they were raided and closed twice by the Dutch P.T.T

In May 1976, a VHF service was iniated as Radio Verona. The transmitter power on IO2 MHz. is 50 watts.

During November 1976, a medium-wave transmitter was modified for use on the 48 metre-band. These broadcasts are made with a power of 40 watts, fed into a 23 metre longwire, raised IO metres above the ground.

The location for all transmissions is P.O Box 81, Vroomshoop, Holland.

Radio Fantastic was monitored for the first time on 3Ist. January. The transmission was heard at IO.00 GWT on 6225 khz. Reception in Germany was described as fairly good.

Reception reports for Radio Fantastic should be sent c/o The Free Radio League, PO Box 46, n-6650 Surnadal, Norway.

Radio Casablanca returned to the air on 20th. February after several weeks of abscence. The frequency used was aprox. 6245 khz. and the power used was 60 watts. All reception reports are verified with a QSL Card/Map and an information-

sheet, if sent to PO. Box 428, Almelo, Holland.

Maniac Radio has been heard recently with tests on 62IO khz. and 6229 khz. These have been followed by a fortnightly service on the 62IO khz. frequency.

The station started several years ago on the medium-wave, following the closure of Radio Geronimo. Broadcasts continued every Saturday night for about nine months. Operations were revived last year when they QSO'd with the Dutch Pirates on 227 metres.

Their current transmissions are made with I50 watts. They will feature pop music and Free Radio news. The station address is c/o Mr. E. Ryan, Thrifts Hall Farm, Theydon Bois, Essex.

Radio Concord International plan to commence regular broadcasts in April. Concord started medium-wave operations in London during 1972. These ceased at Easter 1976, after raids on houses in North-West London. Also, many staff have left the station to work for professional broadcasting concerns.

The studio equipment consists of Goldring turntables, a Millbank mixing desk, Sony tapedecks and AKG microphones. The transmitters are crystal controled with a power of IOO watts-3 KW.IOO% modulation is maintained by AF compression. The address for reception reports is: The Kennels, Foulsham, Norfolk. 



Freak's Radio Unlimited was logged again on February 27th. using 6225 khz. The programmes presented in English were hosted by two DJ's, Leroy Brown and Dedy van Lemon. Reception was good despite occasional splatter from Radio Andorra on 6230 khz.

Reception reports are verified by a QSL Card and letter, if sent to the following mailing address: Bert Pol, Den Borg Straat I, Amsterdam, Holland.

Northern Broadcasting is a new station currently concerned with the severe crowding on parts of the 48 metre band. Certain frequencies, noteably 6250, 6255, and 6275 khz. sometimes have as many as five or six stations operating on and around them.

N.B.C has recently started a series of test transmissions on 6200 and 6255 khz.As far as they know, these channels are currently free, but they would like to hear from any U.K station currently operating with more than I5 watts on these frequencies.

Northern Broadcasting themselves are using I5 watts although this may soon be increased to 300 watts. Medium-wave transmissions on 2I4 metres, I40I khz. are also under consideration.

The mailing address is as follows: I3 Bowman's Road, Dartford, Kent.

On Thursday 3rd. February, four ABC England staff appeared at Ely Magistrates Court, Cambridgeshire. They were charged for breaking the 1949 Wireless Telegraphy Act.

Following consultations between prosecution and defence, the Home Office decided to drop seven charges in exchange for guilty pleas on eight others. Therefore, Chris Cortez, Paul Duke, Tony Jackson and Dave Harman admitted charges of operating ABC on the 19th September and 3rd. October 1976.

Prosecuting for the Home Office, Mr. Anthony Bretnall stated that ABC had been monitored at Portishead, near Bristol, using 6270 khz-a frequency reserved for use by shipping. He added that no danger to shipping had resulted.

Following a five minute retirement, the magistrates ordered each defendent to pay a total of £50 on two charges, plus £25 costs. The transmitter and power supply were confiscated, although three radio-telephones and a cassette-radio were returned.

The court-case featured in the local press, and also gained a report on Anglia Television's local news programme, "About Anglia". Gary Day was featured in his studio, and an interview with Chris Cortez was also broadcast.

Meanwhile, tests are being conducted on 9520 khz. between 04.00 GMT and 06.00 GMT on most Sundays. They were also logged on I3/2 testing on 6200 khz.

Radio Northsea International has been heard twice since the last edition of FRW.Reception on both occasions has been very good.

Programmes are presented in English, and are broadcast on 6225 khz. with a power of 700 watts. This frequency may be adjusted to 6220 khz. to alleviate interference from Radio Andorra.

RNI has previously operated as Radio Vicky and Radio Sovereign. Reception reports sent to P.O Box 4I, Dedemsvaart, Holland will be verified with a QSL Card and information sheet.

Radio Rastafari One is a new short-wave station which hopes to be starting regular short-wave broadcasts in the near future.

Radio Rastafari Two is broadcasting in Holland on I602 khz. medium-wave. We also understand that a FM-network is also under consideration. The address for all reception reports is I34 Eastworth Road, Chertsey, Surrey KTI6 8DT.

## SW NEWS

"The Swinging Sound from Scandanavia", Radio Snoopy International, was heard on 20th. February with a six minute test transmission. The frequency used was 6275 khz. Reception in Germany was described as poor to fair.

R.S.I has also been monitored on 6225 khz. with a mostly Soul format. The mailing address is c/o The Free Radio League, P.O Box 46, n-6650 Surnadal, Norway.

Radio Solent City International will be off the air until Summer, so that they can work on their I50 watt transmitter and aerial system. Disc-Jockey Michael Jay added that a World Service would begin on the 3I metre band.

The station has been heard three times since Free Radio Waves 2, on their usual frequency of 6280 khz. The address is Kent Place, Norwell, Newark, Nottinghamshire.

Radio Omega is a new station heard recently on 6275 khz. The transmissions which are presented in Swedish, are heard between IO.00 GMT and I2.00 GMT. The format consists of Rock and Pop Music.

Reception in West Germany and Britain is fair.

Black-Shadow Radio was heard at IO.30 GMT on 30th. January. The transmission featured their characteristic over-modulation problems. The frequency used was 6215 khz.

The address for further information and stickers is: Black Shadow Radio, PO Box 77, Raalte, Holland.

Radio Valleri was heard on 24th. February and 6th.&I3th. February on their new frequency of 6202 khz.Reception of all three transmissions was very good.

Valleri reply to reception reports with a QSL Card, mini-stickers and information. The address is as follows: I34 Eastworth Road, Chertsey, Surrey KTI68DT.

Radio Kent made a short-wave transmission between IO.00 GMT and I2.00 GMT on 26th. February. The frequency being used was 6200 khz, 48 metres.

Reception reports should be sent to: Kent Place, Norwell, Newark, Nottinghamshir

Skyport Radio made their last broadcast until Summer, on 3rd. January. The frequency used was 6255 khz.

Skyport are currently selling a series of five postcard size photographs, depicting the station transmitter, studio and personnel. The price is £I.00 and the address is I34 Eastworth Road, Chertsey, Surrey KTI6 8DT.

Radio Urbino and Radio Sylvania are two Finnish stations, which have been heard fairly regularly recently on frequencies between 6200 and 6210 khz.

Radio Urbino is a FRL-station and uses this address: P.O Box 46, N-6650 Surnadal, Norway.

Radio Titanic is heard irregularly on 6220 khz. The station now uses the Offshore Radio Campaign address of I34 Eastworth Road, Chertsey, Surrey KTI6 8DT.

Reception reports are verified with an excellent QSL Card and sticker.

Premier Radio hopes to commence short-wave transmissions on either 6240 khz. or 6265 khz. between 08.00 GMT and II.00 GMT. The station uses the same address as fellow Irish station, Radio Valleri.

# RADIO VALLERI

In Eire there is one radio station which is both government run and financed. Since radio and television are the direct responsibility of the Ministry for Posts and Telegraphs, a rigid control is excercised over programme content.

Therefore the Minister can at his discretion decide what may or may not be broadcast. This came to a head a few years ago when the whole broadcasting authority was dismissed after a disagreement over programmes.

As a direct result, radio presentation in Southern Ireland is unimaganative and boring. No attempt is made to cater for the younger generation.

It was for this reason that Radio Valleri began. It was proposed to put out programmes that would show how broadcasting should develop.

Because Eire had no international service, Radio Valleri iniated on short-wave(after five weeks on I96.7 metres, MW in July I972), to tell DX'ers that radio was alive and well in Ireland.

Our first broadcast was made on October 2Ist. 1973. The frequency used was 63I7 khz. Initial reports came from Britain and France. We then continued to broadcast regularly over 52 Sundays, eventually closing down with a first anniversary show on October 20th. 1974. Meanwhile, we had moved on 2Ist. July 74' to 6260 khz. and then on Ist. September to 62I0 khz.

In January 1974, we had a request from an American DX-organisation to make tests to the USA. Not surprisingly, these proved unsuccessful.

Twelve months after closing down, Radio Valleri returned on 19th.October 1975, using 6260 khz.

A month later, the frequency was once more changed, this time to 6265 khz. We then closed again on 7th. December due to increased police and Post Office activity.

Since May I6th, when we returned to the air, Valleri has been broadcasting ever since on 6260 khz. and now 6202 khz.

Over the years, we have received more than 500 reports from the following countries: Ireland, Britain, Norway, Sweden, Denmark, Finland, Holland, Belgium, France, West and East Germany, Italy and the U.S.S.R

We currently broadcast from 09.00 GMT - I2.00 GMT, for three hours every Sunday. The two DJ's are Derek Jones who presents a show from 09.00-I0.30 GMT and myself Mike Anderson; who presents the "Pop Explosion" from I0.30-I2.00 GMT. I am 23 and Derek 2I. The power output is 40 watts and this is fed into a  $\frac{1}{2}$  wave dipole aerial, centre fed (37ft. each way).

We would like to thank all our listeners who tune in and write, and invite you to join us on Sunday mornings.

Reception reports sent to I34 Eastworth Road, Chertsey, Surrey KTI6 8DI, England, will be verified with our QSL Card and mini-stickers.

Mike Anderson.

#### WELSH FREE RADIO NEWS

ABC England report that Bangor Rag Broadcasting Service (B.R.B.S) was operating between February 6th. and I3th.

It was intended to operate for six hours a day on medium-wave and VHF with stereo programmes. The station operators ended up doing almost 24 hours a day !

Reception reports indicate that the medium-wave service was covering 50 miles, and the FM transmitter was servicing 20 miles.

The special transmissions were made to coincide with the Student's Rag Week at Bangor University.

COLOUR POSTERS 99p:SAE for details to BLP, IO Pembroke Road, Mitcham, Surrey.

## R. CAROLINE NORTH

"The Northern Voice of Free Enterprise Radio, this is Radio Caroline North broadcasting on I5II khz. That is I98.5 metres in the medium-wave band".

This is the sound which used to come over the Caroline Theme from our I5 watt transmitter every Sunday morning from II.00 am.

I obtained the medium-wave transmitter, and with my brother Pete, set up the station in the early part of 1975. At first we tested on various frequencies, which included 270, 266, 259, 242, 227 and 210 metres. Finally it was decided to open regular broadcasts on 199.

We fed the transmitter into a 350 ft. longwire, some 250 ft. away from the studio. We had it anchored to a Post-Office pole. GPO men put this up for us, because I told them I was a short-wave listener.

At first programmes were shared. The format was old Rock n' Roll LP's from such greats as Elvis Presley and Buddy Holly. Later this was changed and Pete did the II-II. 30 slot as Pete Chicago, and I did the Rick Randell Merry-go-Rounfrom II. 30. Indeed it was one big Merry-go-Round, when you dialed ago-go Radio Caroline North!

During August 1976, I left the station to get married. Therefore Pete took over all the operations. Up to this time we had always recorded our show during the week, but Pete went out live and sometimes kept the station on until 5.00 pm, I think that's where the trouble started.

Pete was raided in the late part of September I976. The GPO traced transmissions to his house, where they found our aerial coming from a back window. After producing a search warrant and entering the house, our transmitting equipment was found. It was in fact the first week in twelve months that we had been off the air due to technical problems. In this time we had formed a large following in the East Lancashire area, covering parts of Bolton, Accrington, Blackburn and Darwen.

Pete was eventually fined £25 in each of two cases of illictly transmitting at Darwen Magistrates Court.

At the time of the raid, we had just obtained a new 50 watt transmitter which will make the GPO keep their ears open in the future. The only thing we could do, would be to operate on VHF. This would be a solution to the 350 ft. "landmark" outside the window!

The operation and raid of the station has led to several large articles & pictures in the local press. Meanwhile, Radio Caroline North will return!

Rick Randell.

FRW and FRF are conducting a joint poll to find the best and worst landbased pirate stations in Europe. All <u>landbased</u> pirates are eligible if they were heard during 1976.

Cast your votes for three stations in each of the following catorgaries:

- I). Best Station(replies, reception, number of transmissions etc.)
- 2). Best QSL Card.
- 3). Best Programmes. 4). Worst Station.

Send your choices to Free Radio Waves, Flagstones, West Heath Lane, Sevenoaks, Kent TNI3 ITA.

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East London Radio was formed in 1976 by a group of Free Radio enthusiasts trying to break the monopoly created by the BBC and IBA stations. At the moment we are only providing a music service to build up a regular listening audience, but in the near future we hope to provide, also a voice for the community of East London. This would feature local dramatic groups and local musicians, who need exposure, as well as featuring the views of the local population.

In this article we must apolagise to any listeners who read FRW for closing down rather abruptly on several occasions. This has been due to the many Post Office raids over past months. The station staff believe we are being singled out by the GPO, because they do not wish us to become an. established station such as Radio Jackie.

For the people who have not heard of us, East London Radio broadcasts every week from II.00 hrs to I4.00 hrs on 20I metres, I493.00 khz. and has five regular DJ's. Shows are worked out on a rota basis. The regular DJ's are: Paul Jones, Roger Davis, Norman Spencer, Gorden Bennett, Tony Palmer and Steve Peters.Other DJ's are Lynne Davis, Ellen Jackson and Norman's wife, Mrs. Spencer.

We have also made a test on FM, 92.8 MHz. Unfortunately we lost our transmitter to the Police during a raid. Luckily no members of the crew were caught on location. Regular transmissions will be on Sundays from 20.00 GMT to 2I.00 GMT in the near future.

Finally we would like to say that ELR does not want to be an illegal station, but under the present legislation there is no possible way we could obtain a licence. We realise legislation is needed but feel that if the law was changed, stations like ourselves could concentrate more on programmes and less on the legal implications of being caught with a couple of hot 807's (valves).

We would also like to add that LLR is willing to record advertisments for any local business at reasonable rates, and for charities totally free of charge. For all enquiries, reception reports, requests or personal mail to DJ's write to: East London Radio, 83 Connington Crescent, Chingford, London E.4.

#### Technical information:

Transmitter: The transmitter is I8 watts. It is crystal controlled to I493.0 khz(200.93 metres) and has IOO % modulation.

#### Studio equipment:

Decks: 3 Garrard SP25 III(2 Disco), I Garrard SP25 IV, 2 MacDonald MP 60's(Disco), I Akai 4000 OS MK I.

Amplifier: Made by Armstrong.

Mixer: 4 Channel.

Microphones: I Shure Unidyne and I Shure Unisphere.

Headphones: "Red Devil" made by Koss.

Jingles: 8-track Jingle machine and I Cassette Jingle machine.

Record Library:aprox. 2000 singles dating from 1958.400 Albums. Various Disco specials and promotional copies.

Free Radio Campaign Ireland: "Newsletter" is currently out !! All the latest Free Radio news from Eire. The Caroline latest as well as details of tapes and other items. Send 20p. + IRC to: Kieran Murray, 53 Charleston Road, Ranelagh, Dublin 6, Ireland.

Please mention Free Radio Waves when ordering any advertised items. 

# DUTCH MW NEWS

Radio Centrale was heard on I3th. February on 227 metres. The address used is P.O Box 77, Raalte, Holland.

Radio Coberco International has been heard broadcasting recently on I350 khz. The equipment consists of a VT-tube transmitter, and a 30 watt amplifier. The aerial used is a I30 metre longwire, of I.5 mm Ø copper wire.

The station also operates every Sunday morning from II.00 GMT-I2.00 GMT, on 270 metres, II00 khz. The address is: PO Box 77, Raalte, Holland.

Monroe Radio has been logged several times recently in England and Germany during the week. Reception on 227 metres is good, and a QSL verifies all correct reception reports sent to:PO Box 50, Oude Pekela, Holland.

Radio Hanky Panky was logged on 30th. December 1976. The power used on 227 metres is 500 watts. The station address is P.O Box 149, Emmen, Holland. The aerial used is a 27 metre longwire, raised 18 metres.

Radio Johnie Walker was heard on 22/I, between 00.05 GMT and 00.45 GMT, broadcasting a programme from the FRL, SW-station "The Sound of Sweden".

The frequency used was I3I5 khz.

Radio Concordia was monitored on 227, on 18th. February. The address given was P.O Box 77, Raalte, Holland.

Smokey Radio operate on 227 metres, and have been heard with good strength recently. They use a TX with an EL519 Valve and an amplifier giving 70-90 watts.

The station operator has already been raided by the Dutch GPO five times : The aerial system is a 29 metre longwire, I2 metres high. The address is as follows: c/o G. Huisman, Huizinga's Laan 3, Ten Boer, Holland.

Radio Atlantis Amsterdam was monitored on 18th. February using 227 metres. The address was given as P.O Box 40243, Amsterdam, Holland.

Radio Black Arrow has been heard recently in both England and Germany.One logging was on 5/2 at 23.40 GMT on 227 metres.This station uses a transmitter with one EL519 valve.An amplifier which gives 90-IOO watts is also used.

The aerial is a 29 metre longwire, raised I5 metres above ground level. The address is c/o Harrie Lode, Bouwerschapweg 48, Ten Boer, Holland.

Radio Napolean International (RNI) was heard on 18/2 using 227 metres. Two different stickers, and a QSL Card are sent out for all correct reception reports. The address is P.O Box 77, Raalte, Holland.

Houston Radio is a new Dutch station heard on 227 metres. Further information is required.

Apollo Radiozender operates on 227 metres with a home-made 300 watt transmitter, fed into a L antenna, 30 metres long and 20 metres high.

The mailing address is c/o S.Rope, E.E Napweg 88, Finsterwolde, Holland.

Radio Ali-Baba operates with an ouput of 400 watts, fed into a longwire, 53.4

metres long, and I4 metres high. The station has been broadcasting for some four
years, which culminated last year, when the operator was raided by Dutch P.T.T, and
fined 350 Guilders.

Transmission times are from 00.00 GWT to 02.00 GMT, and will take place on these dates on 227:2/3,9/3 and also 16/3.

Reception reports have already been received from England, Italy, East and West Germany, Sweden and Denemark.

All reports are verified by a QSL Card. The address is P.O Box 278, Zutphen, Holland.

Radio Blackbird operates every Friday evening from II.00 GMT-OI.00 GMT on 227 metres. Transmissions are made with a power of I50 watts, fed into a 35 metre longwire, I8.5 metres above ground level.

The station is operated by two teenagers, who formerly ran two stations:
Eendvogel(Duckbird) and Tuinfluiter(Warbler).Reception reports are verified with
a QSL Card if sent to P.O Box 3I, Emmercompascuum, Holland.

## LONDON MW NEWS

Radio Telstar South: This station operates every Sunday from I9.00 GMT to 20.00 GMT on 92.8 MHz. The power used is 50 watts from a transistorised transmitter, which is fed into a circular aerial giving a total e.r.p of 420 watts. The format consists of I00% oldies. Car stickers are available from this

address:5I, BR4 9BN. The on-air number is OI-462-2222/3.

Radio Andromeda: They have been heard several times recently on 2I5 metres. Broadcast times are from II.00 GWT until I5.00 GMT. The programme format is progressive albumn music. Regular transmissions will be maintained every Sunday. Radio Kent: Reception of this station has recently improved due to a slight frequency adjustment. Transmissions continue to be made every Sunday from II.00 GMT to I4.00 GMT on 2I4 metres.

A new medium-wave transmitter is currently being constructed. The address for reports is: Kent Place, Norwell, Newark, Nottinghamshire.

LONDON MUSIC RADIO

South-East London's local station on 222 metres every Sunday from IO.00-3.00. Programme Schedule:

IO.00 Terry Dean.

II.00 Rick Thompson.

I2.00 Mark Ellis.

I3.00 Cliff Osbourne.

I4.00 Albumn Sounds.

I5.00 Closedown.

Music News at half-past the hour. Gig Guide at I4.30(a look at groups playing in London).

Dedications, stickers and potential advertisers, write to:L.M.R, I9 Newport Court, London WC2H 7JS.

The station will be extending broadcast times to 6.00pm during the summer months.

LMR Raided...again: The station was raided on 27th. February. Broadcasts were being made from near Mottingham station. The Police arrived and removed some equipment.

Later, when the crew drove up to a petrol station, a squad of five Panda cars drove up and removed the staff to the local police station. Addresses were taken and a car battery, invertor and programme tapes were confiscated.

This day also marked their first birthday.

## RADIO-MART

The following items are recommended by Free Radio Waves:

A range of two hundred offshore radio tapes and other promotional material:Send a stamped addressed envelope for lists to the following address:Mr. John E. Patrick,72 Sherwood Road, Grimsby, South Humberside DN34 5TJ.

Free Radio Focus: Issue II out now.Offshore and landbased news, "Logbook", Focus Newsreel and other features. Send I5p. + SAE to Free Radio Focus, I3 The Chase, Crawley, Sussex RHIO 6HW.

Living Free Radio new issue now available: News from the landbased and offshore stations. For a general coverage of all free radio events buy Living Free Radio. Send 20p. + SAE to P.O Box 4I6, Birmingham B32 2HS.

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#### Free Radio Waves-Issue Four-Price I5p.

Due to increasing costs of materials and publicity, we have been forced to increase the price of FRW to I5p. from the next issue, number four, to be published in May.

We are sorry for this increase, but hope our readers agree that FRW remains one of the best value-for-money publications concerned with Free Radio.

To our foreign readers the price of FRW will remain as 2 i.r.c's.

## DUTCH MW NEWS CONT.

Radio Hawaii was heard with excellent strength on 26th. February. The frequency used was 227 metres. The power is I kW and reception reports are verified with a QSL Card and expensive looking sticker.

The address for reports is P.O Box 25, Emmercompascuum,

Holland.

Radio Peter Wyngarde. was heard using I325 khz. at 02.05 GMT on 30th. December I976.Reception for this transmission was good.Address is:P.O Box 603, Emmen, Holland.

 $\underline{\mathtt{Radio\ Black\ Mexican}}$  was monitored on 9th. January. The frequency used was 225 metres, I33I khz.

Torro Radio has been heard with fair strength on I327 khz. The address is P.O Box I49, Emmen, Holland.

Radio Zorro was heard with excellent strength on I324.khz recently. The address was the same as for the above station.

<u>Jacky the Killer</u> intends to move operations on the 48 metre band, short-wave. They have previously been heard with I KW. on 227 metres. The address is P.O Box 25, Emmercompascuum, Holland.

## EAST ANGLIA

On I9th. January, at Cambridge County Magistrates, Richard Royal was ordered to pay £60. He was prosecuted on charges of establishing and using a radio station without a licence. It was also alleged that interference had been caused to a BBC channel.

Royal, a warehouseman of The Caravan, London Road, Barkway, Royston was the operator of the medium-wave station, Radio Neptune International.

Radio Neptune was raided by Police and Home Office late in 1976.A 60 watt and IO watt transmitter were confiscated, along with a tape recorder and tapes.

The station has been operating from a fixed location on 240 metres. Broadcasts were made on Saturdays, Sundays and Mondays.

## LEICESTER FREE RADIO NEWS.

KOL Europe and Radio Free Midlands have both closed down. The personnel of both stations have joined the new organisation, Radio Gloria.

Radio Gloria: It was decided by the LTIR that it would be better to operate one high-powered station on a regular basis, than several smaller stations. Radio Gloria currently transmits every Saturday evening from 23.00 GMT until OI.30 GMT on Sunday morning.

The frequency being used is 227 metres, and the power is 200 watts. Reception here in Kent is excellent, as it is in the immediate Leicester area.

## LATE MENS EXTRAMIATE MENS EXTRAMIATE MENS EXTRAMIATE MENS EXTRAMIATE MENS EXTRAMIATE

"MALLBOX"-details of replies received since Free Radio Waves Two.

ABC EIGLAND(SV)QSL Card, Information sheet and Free Radio News:R. ALL-BADA(NW)QSL Card and Letter:R.ANDORDA(SW)QSL Card:R.BLACKBIRD(MW)QSL Card and Information sheet: BLACK SUADOW R. (SW & NW)Postcard QSL,2 sorts of sticker and Information sheet:R. BLACK ARROW(MW)Letter:R.CASABLANCA(SW)QSL Map and Information Sheet:R.CENTRALE(MW) Postcard and Letter:EAST LONDON R. (NW & VIF)Stickers and Letter:EUROPEAN MUSIC R. (SW)QSL Card and Letter:R.JACKIE(NW)QSL Card and Sticker:R.JACKIE(NW)QSL Card and Letter:R.JOHNNIE WALKER(MW)QSL Card and Letter:LONDON MUSIC R. (NW)Stickers and Letter:MANIAC R. (SW)Postcard QSL and Letter: R.MAPOLEAN INT(MW)QSL Card and 2 sorts of sticker:SKYPORT R. (SW)QSL Card and Information Sheet:R.SOLFIT CITY(MW & SW)QSL Card, Sticker and Letter:R.SMOKY(MW)QSL CARD, Sticker and Letter:R.VALLERI(SW)QSL Card, mini-stickers and Letter:R.VERONA(SW)QSL CARD, Postcard and Information Sheet.

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European Music Radio has now discontinued their address in Witham, Essex. All reports should be sent to their new address, which is currently being arranged.

Radio Invicta would like to hear from anyone who has logged their International Service recently, or knows the whereabouts of the operators. The address is 115 Coulsdon Road, Caterham, Surrey.

A new station, probably originating from Germany, was logged in Kent on 13th. March. Radio Partisan was heard from 10.00 GHT to 11.00 GHT on 6250 khz. The programme consisted of LP tracks. Announcements were made in English and German. Reception and presentation were both fairly good.

The address for all reception reports is as follows: P.O Dox 41, Dedemsvaart, Wolland.

Another new station was heard on 13th. March: Radio Iris was heard from 13.00 GHT to 14.00 GHT on 6210 khz. with a test transmission in English and Dutch. There were three DJ's: Two male and one female. FM broadcasts were also made on Channel 28,95.00 MHz. at the same time. The station was operating from Amsterdam.

We would like to stress that Radio Iris, unlike the majority of Dutch MW and SW stations, put out proper and well presented programmes.

The address for reception reports is P.O Box 2036, Amsterdam, Holland.

### LONDON NEWS\*\*\*LONDON NEWS\*\*\*\*LONDON NEWS\*\*\*\*LONDON NEWS\*\*\*\*LONDON NEWS\*\*\*\*LONDON NEW

A new station called Radio Plaine was logged on 6th. March with good strength. Regular programmes will begin every Sunday on 199 metres between II.00 GHT and I3.00 GHT with a power of 15 watts.

East London Radio made an FM broadcast from 20.00 GMT to 21.00 GMT on March 13th. The frequency used was 92.8 MMz.

A feature of their medium-wave service between II.00 GMT and I4.00 GMT every Sunday, is a three part serial-"The Radio Caroline Story".

A programme of non-stop music was heard on Radio Caroline's old frequency of 253 metres on March 13th. Reception here in Kent was very good.

Now that this channel is vacant, it seems an obvious choice of frequency for many landbased stations.



RADIO SUNSHIME INT.
R.S.I has decided to cease operations for the time being. This is mainly due to the mounting threat of a G.P.O raid. Such activity has forced the closures of Radio Gloria and Radio Valentine.

Transmissions took to the air on sw.The first broadcast was made in April 1976 with 300 watts erp. 84 reception reports were received.

Two further broadcasts made in May & July with 50 watts, resulted in a total of 100 reports.

In November, mw broadcasts were made on 227 metres. Their first transmission resulted in 27 letters and the 2nd. in December gained 46.

The furthest the station has been logged was 2800 kms. away in North Sweden.
Reports have been received from a total of 15 countries.
The SW TX' is homemade. The studio is very simple and consists of 2 decks, echo and a microphone.

The QSL pictured verifies all reports sent to:PO Rox 512, D-444 Rheine, West Germany.

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